PRACTICE TEST 14

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. explore **B.** expert **C.** excite **D.** exist

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. visit **B.** basic **C.** spoiling **D.** scenic

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. border **B.** volume **C.** ranger **D.** unique

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. sandcastle **B.** disturbance **C.** sightseeing **D.** limited

5. The seafood at this restaurant isn't _____ the seafood at the restaurant we ate yesterday.
A. more delicious as **B.** most delicious than **C.** much more delicious **D.** as delicious as

6. Ling always avoids _____ plastic bags as much as he can when he visits tourist attractions.
A. to use **B.** using **C.** used **D.** to using

7. Cam Ranh Bay, _____ is a popular destination for tourists seeking both relaxation and water activities, has a great development in tourism infrastructure.
A. where **B.** which **C.** when **D.** where

8. The government intends to make a new _____ to reduce the negative impacts of tourism on the country's heritage sites.
A. law **B.** wonder **C.** mess **D.** progress

9. During the dry season, the _____ patrol the area to spot and report forest fires promptly.
A. hunters **B.** woodcutters **C.** rangers **D.** tourists

10. The police _____ a group of young people for burning trees in the park. They had to pay a lot of money.
A. admired **B.** accused **C.** fined **D.** released

11. The villagers _____ a sign near the cliff edge to warn hikers of the potential incidents.
A. took off **B.** went over **C.** put up **D.** came across

12. Phong Nha Cave is famous for its picturesque river that runs _____ its limestone chambers, creating a stunning underground landscape.
A. through **B.** from **C.** out **D.** off

13. **Jasmin:** How could we reduce plastic bags on Crystal Beach?
Tony: _____
A. We could increase recycling bins on the beach.
B. I don't think organising beach clean-up events is a good idea.
C. I want to make the beach a bit cleaner.
D. Don't teach students about the threats of plastic pollution.

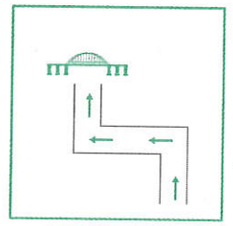
14. **Tom:** Why don't we go to some caves?
Jayla: _____
A. The West Cave looks beautiful, but it's not as big as the East Cave.
B. Anyway, I will drive you to the cave if you want.
C. I think that we should ban food and drinks in the caves.
D. OK. There are two caves near our town.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?

A. People must stay away from the fire in the forest.
B. People can collect pieces of wood to build a campfire.
C. It's forbidden to light a campfire in the forest.
D. People can make a campfire in the forest.

16. What do you understand about the sign?



A. To reach Cầu Bridge, turn right, turn left and then go straight ahead.
B. To reach Cầu Bridge, turn right, go straight ahead and then turn left.
C. To reach Cầu Bridge, go straight ahead, turn right and then turn left.
D. To reach Cầu Bridge, go straight ahead, turn left and then turn right.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

HOW TO ENCOURAGE SELF-AWARENESS IN TEENAGERS

Building self-awareness in teenagers is rewarding because it helps them understand their unique qualities and how they fit into the world. This deeper understanding acts like a key that unlocks their potential and improves their perspective on life.

This process begins with fostering open conversations. By encouraging your child to talk about their challenges, they can better understand how these issues affect their daily life, empowering them to become effective self-advocates. Instead of saying, "You're always forgetting things because you're disorganised," try asking, "When do you find it hardest to keep track of your things?"

Balancing self-awareness with self-consciousness can be challenging. However, it's important not to make learning about shortcomings the centre of every conversation as this can lead to them being a pessimist with stress and self-doubt. Remind your child that everyone has unique strengths unrelated to their challenges, like how dyslexia doesn't affect their football playing skills. It's also important to celebrate strengths. Self-awareness isn't just about recognising weaknesses but also about highlighting the positives. For instance, if your child thinks they have few friends, remind them of the ones who enjoy spending time with them.

Avoid comparisons, as teens often struggle when comparing themselves to others. Help them understand that different talents are equally valuable. Sometimes, professional support, like a therapist or mentor, can offer great insights. Remember to empower your child to take an active role in their journey, which can lead to greater self-awareness and confidence.

17. Developing self-awareness in teenagers can help them enhance their outlook on life.

18. Using critical statements can help teenagers realise daily issues and find solutions to them.

19. If parents just focus on children's flaws, children may start to feel stressed and pessimistic.

20. By comparing themselves to others, teenagers are encouraged to self-improve better.

21. Self-awareness not only recognises weaknesses but also _____.
- **A.** avoids making every mistakes.
- **B.** hides unique strengths
- **C.** prevents dyslexia and other mental disorders
- **D.** appreciates what you do well

22. What didn't the writer mention as a way to build self-awareness in the passage?
- **A.** fostering open conversations
- **B.** forgetting regular challenges
- **C.** celebrating strengths
- **D.** giving professional support

IV. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following advertisement. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

CONSERVATIONIST - TOURISTS

When exploring natural wonders around the world, practising responsible travel is critical for their (23) _____. Always stay on designated paths to minimise soil erosion and protect fragile ecosystems, whether you're in a lush rainforest or a rocky desert. Carry out all your trash to avoid (24) _____, which can harm the environment and wildlife.

When travelling, you should use public transport like buses, trains or eco-friendly shuttles to reduce emissions and traffic (25) _____ natural sites. Respect wildlife by keeping a safe distance and not feeding them, ensuring your presence doesn't (26) _____ their natural behaviour.

If you decide to join a tour, please do your research and choose eco-friendly tour operators (27) _____ prioritise sustainability to help minimise environmental impact. Additionally, support local conservation efforts by contributing financially to projects aimed at protecting these natural treasures. By following these tips, you help ensure that these natural wonders remain (28) _____ for future generations.

23.	**A.** exploration	**B.** consideration	**C.** preservation	**D.** avoidance
24.	**A.** littered	**B.** littering	**C.** to litter	**D.** being littered
25.	**A.** near	**B.** above	**C.** below	**D.** under
26.	**A.** disturb	**B.** suffer	**C.** describe	**D.** impress
27.	**A.** who	**B.** where	**C.** whose	**D.** which
28.	**A.** limited	**B.** accessible	**C.** affordable	**D.** unique

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. We successfully prevented a group of _____ from springing a trap to catch wild animals in this area. (hunt)

30. Mass tourism might lead to the _____ and pollution of the local environment in this ancient town. (disturb)

31. Despite our strong protest, building a new golf course along this beach is _____. (avoid)

32. The locals' lives have changed _____ since the government set up a national park nearby. (consider)

33. The _____ has enacted an environment law on the punishment for intentionally causing forest fires (govern)

34. If the locals keep _____ in the river, its water will become polluted. (litter)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. The Parthenon, which is an ancient temple in Athens, Greece, is considered one of the greatest architectural achievements in history.

b. That's why, each year, thousands of visitors come from all over the world to see this amazing wonder.

c. Because of its beauty and historical significance, the Parthenon is a must-see for anyone interested in history and architecture.

d. Visitors can explore its beautiful columns and learn about its rich history, making it a fascinating tourist destination.

e. Dedicated to the goddess Athena, its construction began in 447 BCE and finished in 438 BCE.

A. a, e, d, b, c **B.** d, b, c, a, e **C.** a, c, b, d, e **D.** b, d, e, a, c

36.

EMAIL

To: Visitors
Subject: Visit the City Observatory today!

Dear Visitors,

a. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity!
b. Our well-maintained facility, which is supported by the government, ensures a safe and free experience for all.
c. Considered a man-made wonder by many residents in the city, the observatory offers you our advanced telescopes to view the stunning night sky.
d. Welcome to the City Observatory, a wonderful place where you can see and learn about the wonders of the stars and planets.
e. With limited daily tickets, we recommend booking in advance to secure your spot.

See you soon!

The City Observatory staff

A. a, d, c, b, e **B.** d, e, b, c, a **C.** e, a, c, d, b **D.** d, b, c, e, a

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. I think this Tom Yum restaurant is much better than the one we ate last Monday.

➲ I think the Tom Yum restaurant we ate last Monday isn't _____

38. Many people believe Pác Bó Cave is by far the most historic cave in Vietnam.

➲ Many people believe Pác Bó Cave is much _____

39. I would rather go trekking on the scenic sandy dunes than swim in the blue sea.

➲ I prefer _____

40. Cái Răng Floating Market is located in the Mekong Delta, and it is famous for its variety of exotic fruits and handmade crafts.

➲ Cái Răng Floating Market, which _____

PRACTICE TEST 15

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. police **B.** improve **C.** quickly **D.** plastic

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. congested **B.** damage **C.** organise **D.** danger

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. sidewalk **B.** struggle **C.** traffic **D.** attract

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. accident **B.** encourage **C.** criminal **D.** implement

5. While I _____ on the pavement, I suddenly saw my childhood friend.
A. wandered **B.** is wandering **C.** was wandered **D.** was wandering

6. The book was _____ that I missed getting off the bus.
A. such compelling **B.** so compelling **C.** such a compelling **D.** so a compelling

7. There was _____ noise from my neighbour's apartment that I couldn't sleep at all.
A. so much **B.** such much **C.** such much a **D.** so many

8. Residents in urban areas often _____ to find affordable accommodation due to rising housing prices.
A. encourage **B.** solve **C.** struggle **D.** generate

9. To ensure their safety, pedestrians must follow the traffic laws like crossing the street at the _____.
A. highway **B.** crosswalk **C.** traffic light **D.** roundabout

10. The university library strictly _____ food and drink to prevent damage to the books and electronic equipment.
A. allows **B.** bans **C.** accesses **D.** rents

11. In big cities, the cost of living continues to _____, which makes it difficult for many families to cover their basic expenses.
A. bring up **B.** take down **C.** turn on **D.** go up

12. I found it frustrating to be stuck _____ a traffic jam for over two hours on my way to work this morning.
A. on **B.** out **C.** with **D.** in

13. **Lisa:** I'm having a presentation about one of our city problems next Tuesday, but I'm not certain which topic is best.
Kristen: _____
A. I don't like the rising cost of living while my salary is still low.
B. I'm happy that rent for houses is decreasing now.
C. That's true. There is not much concern about public safety.
D. Our city's traffic congestion is worsening. You can search for it.

14. **Micky:** You look sad today. Do you need any help?
Donald: _____
A. That's a great idea. Cycling can help me relieve stress.
B. Actually, you need to take a break.
C. Thanks! Have a great day.
D. Thank you for your concern. I'm doing okay.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?

A. Queuing up to enter the stadium is not allowed.
B. People who don't have tickets cannot enter the stadium.
C. People must not push or shove when entering the stadium.
D. People must rush through the stadium to watch the match on time.

16. What do you understand about the sign?

A. You should drive faster in the areas where schools are about to finish.
B. When entering an area near a school, you should reduce your driving speed.
C. Children should cross the street slowly because there are lots of vehicles here.
D. Adults should help children cross the street to stay safe.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

THE PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC VILLAGE

The Olympic Village for the Paris 2024 Summer Games is set to be a vibrant and exciting place. This village is where athletes from all over the world will stay during the Olympics. It has been carefully planned to accommodate the needs of more than 10,000 athletes. The village is located in a special part of Paris, close to the main venues where the competitions will take place.

One of the most distinctive features of the Paris 2024 Olympic Village is its size. It is so big that it will provide comfortable living spaces for thousands of athletes and officials. The village was built with modern and eco-friendly materials to make sure it is both beautiful and functional. Some parts of the village are new, while other areas have been renovated to fit the Olympic standards.

The village aims to create a positive atmosphere by offering a range of facilities and activities for athletes during their free time. This will help them relax and stay focused on their sports. Additionally, the Olympic Village is designed to be used long after the Games have ended. The current plan is to transform the village into between 3,000 and 5,000 new homes as social housing, providing long-term benefits for the citizens of Paris.

17. The village was built with the goal of providing accommodation for nearly ten thousand athletes.

18. The village isn't far from the main venues where the competitions will be held.

19. All of the buildings in the village have recently been constructed and not been in use before.

20. The village will serve its purpose only during the Games.

21. It is such a large village that _____.
- **A.** it will be able to hold hundreds of sports events
- **B.** it will offer comfortable housing for thousands of athletes and officials
- **C.** it will help thousands of athletes and officials sleep and compete better
- **D.** it will be a great tourist attraction after the Games have ended

22. What didn't the writer mention about the Olympic Village in the passage?
- **A.** its decoration
- **B.** its purpose
- **C.** its location
- **D.** its size

VI. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following interview. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

Reporter: Good afternoon, Mayor Cohen. Thanks for joining us. Our city is (23) _____ with pollution due to overpopulation. What steps are you taking to address this issue?

Mayor: Good afternoon! There are several strategies. First, invest in better public transport like buses, trains and the underground. This will help cut (24) _____ private cars and reduce traffic jams and emissions.

Reporter: What else can you share?

Mayor: To improve air quality, we're looking for (25) _____ areas that can be turned into green spaces and parks. Trees in these areas can act as natural air filters.

Reporter: How are you handling waste management?

Mayor: Our recycling and composting programmes can certainly be improved. However, I also want to focus on (26) _____ people on proper waste disposal to reduce litter and plastic waste.

Reporter: Any challenges you anticipate?

Mayor: Yes. Engaging the community and managing project costs will be key. However, with strong support and (27) _____ from both the public and local businesses, we can overcome (28) _____ challenging obstacles.

Reporter: Thank you for your time.

23.	**A.** banning	**B.** encouraging	**C.** involving	**D.** struggling
24.	**A.** up with	**B.** down on	**C.** out of	**D.** in to
25.	**A.** serious	**B.** potential	**C.** sufficient	**D.** annoying
26.	**A.** educates	**B.** educated	**C.** to educate	**D.** educating
27.	**A.** participation	**B.** refusal	**C.** space	**D.** medication
28.	**A.** too	**B.** so	**C.** such	**D.** enough

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. The _____ of using public transportation among city dwellers by lowering the cost of subway can help to reduce traffic jams. (encourage)

30. A pedestrian accidentally was _____ hit by a car while he was crossing the street at the crosswalk this morning. (accident)

31. Our non-profit organisation provides support and resources for the _____ in urban areas. (home)

32. The _____ of this car has disappeared mysteriously. The police are still looking for him. (own)

33. This country has an abundance of tourist _____, ranging from historical sites, wildlife sanctuaries to shopping districts. (attract)

34. The price of petrol, which _____ sharply last month, has made a lot of people switch to using the bus to commute to work. (rise)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. These pathways are so cramped that pedestrians struggle to walk safely.

b. In response, the mayor has agreed to hold a public forum to address and solve this problem.

c. Just yesterday, a woman was walking on the sidewalk when a misstep caused her to fall into traffic.

d. Many people in the community have voiced concerns about this danger.

e. In the busy city of Gravenca, the narrow sidewalks have become a safety hazard, leading to numerous accidents.

A. b, c, a, e, d **B.** e, a, c, d, b **C.** e, a, c, b, d **D.** c, d, a, e, b

36.

EMAIL

To: Jane
Subject: The past few weeks

Hi Jane,

a. I hope this letter finds you well.
b. Lately, I've been struggling to focus on work because our city is facing a severe garbage problem.
c. I can only hope the city takes swift action for the well-being of all residents.
d. The streets are littered with so much trash that you can smell it from far away.
e. If this issue doesn't get resolved soon, it will become a real medical emergency.

Sincerely,

Ben

A. d, a, e, b, c **B.** a, b, d, e, c **C.** b, c, d, a, e **D.** a, d, b, c, e

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. He didn't reach the international airport early enough to catch a flight.

➲ He reached the international airport so _____

38. This public restroom is too dirty for people to use.

➲ It is such _____

39. During our sightseeing tour of the city, one of us fell and needed medical help for a sprained ankle.

➲ While we _____

40. Jack was in the middle of lunch when a homeless man knocked on the door.

➲ While Jack _____

PRACTICE TEST 16

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. pedestrian **B.** happen **C.** vehicle **D.** accident

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. bridge **B.** Germany **C.** ginger **D.** government

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. crosswalk **B.** direct **C.** convince **D.** avoid

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. medical **B.** pollution **C.** scientist **D.** involving

5. It is _____ canal that the local people avoid fishing and swimming there.
A. so polluted **B.** so a polluted **C.** such polluted **D.** such a polluted

6. At 8 a.m. yesterday morning, they _____ the main road to my office due to the repair of the road after the tornado.
A. will block **B.** were blocking **C.** blocked **D.** have blocked

7. She finished her work late at night and _____ her husband to take her home.
A. was calling **B.** was called **C.** called **D.** has called

8. Many suburban families lost their houses during the heavy storm and became _____ last year.
A. homeless **B.** wealthy **C.** educational **D.** congested

9. I drove my car according to the signs that _____ me to the alternate route due to heavy traffic.
A. attracted **B.** directed **C.** banned **D.** reduced

10. Many people worried that the population in this urban area is _____ sharply, which is putting pressure on housing and infrastructure.
A. dropping **B.** building **C.** rising **D.** causing

11. The increase in criminals in the neighbourhood makes residents' normal life _____. They live in fear every day.
A. go over **B.** break down **C.** turn up **D.** take after

12. Air pollution in our city is at an alarming rate, so we need to find a solution _____ it as soon as possible.
A. for **B.** to **C.** with **D.** about

13. **Tom:** We need to plan our class presentation on how to deal with air pollution in our city.
Julia: _____
A. OK. Let's start discussing the main solutions.
B. Let's move away from the city to avoid air pollution.
C. What about air pollution? I need some great points.
D. The city was so polluted that I had a respiratory illness.

14. **Jeremy:** I believe that overpopulation is such a big problem that many people can't pay a higher rent.
Aria: _____
A. I think it can make many shopping malls close.
B. Sorry, can you explain that? I don't understand.
C. Exactly! We shouldn't talk about it.
D. Don't worry! You can afford a high rent.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?
A. Factories can make the river polluted with toxic chemicals.
B. People mustn't swim in the river because the factory is dumping toxic waste.
C. Factories might help protect the river by discharging pollutants.
D. Factories are banned from discharge toxic substances into the river.

16. What do you understand about the sign?
A. You should avoid this area during rush hour because of regular traffic congestion.
B. There are a lot of cars that are banned from this area during rush hour.
C. This area is so spacious that there are few traffic jams here.
D. Drivers often move into this area because they can avoid traffic congestion.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

THE OVERWATCH CHAMPIONSHIP

The excitement is building as gamers everywhere eagerly await the Overwatch Championship, the biggest e-sport event of the year. This tournament promises an unforgettable experience as fans come to see elite teams from North America, Europe and Asia go head-to-head in a battle for the grand prize.

The championship will be held at the Cyber Space, a venue designed specifically for e-sports. With a seating capacity of over 10,000, the arena is ready to host a large number of enthusiastic fans. Every seat offers a clear view of the action, making it a perfect spot for watching the matches.

Overwatch is such a popular game that it attracts not only gamers but also people who just enjoy watching the action. Many fans will gather in local bars and cafes to watch the championship together, making it a social event. It's not just about the game but also about sharing the excitement with friends and fellow fans.

As the tournament dates approach, anticipation is growing. The Cyber Space arena will come alive with stunning visuals and enthusiastic cheers. The players, in their team jerseys, will be ready to showcase their skills and compete for victory. Mark your calendars for April 25th and join in the excitement of the Overwatch Championship, whether you're at the arena or watching from home. Get ready for thrilling moments and amazing gameplay!

17. No other sports event of the year is bigger than the Overwatch Championship.

18. The arena offers seating for more than 10,000 spectators.

19. Only gamers are interested in attending the championship.

20. The tournament was successfully held with the support of enthusiastic fans.

21. Lots of fans will assemble in local bars and cafes to _____.
- **A.** share happiness and sadness
- **B.** relax at the weekend
- **C.** have a clear view of the action
- **D.** enjoy the tournament together

22. What didn't the writer mention about the championship in the passage?
- **A.** its facilities
- **B.** its participants
- **C.** its rewards
- **D.** its venue

IV. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following advertisement. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

SAVE OUR SIDEWALK – A CALL TO ACTION

As a lifelong resident of Sunshine City, I've seen our city's many challenges, especially the growing number of (23) _____ individuals using our sidewalks as makeshift shelters. This situation impacts public safety, cleanliness and the quality of life in our city.

To address this, we propose a few key (24) _____. We must collaborate with local organisations to set (25) _____ temporary shelters offering basic resources, counselling, and job training for many homeless people in our city.

Policies (26) _____ encourage the creation of low-cost housing units can also make a significant difference. There needs to be affordable housing options in our city so let's (27) _____ city officials, developers and citizens in this crucial initiative.

Community engagement is necessary volunteering at shelters, organising food drives and (28) _____ an understanding can be impactful. Additionally, regular sidewalk clean-ups will improve the environment. By working together, we can transform our sidewalks into safe, welcoming spaces for everyone.

23.	**A.** efficient	**B.** potential	**C.** medical	**D.** homeless
24.	**A.** effects	**B.** solutions	**C.** systems	**D.** services
25.	**A.** up	**B.** with	**C.** out	**D.** off
26.	**A.** whose	**B.** that	**C.** where	**D.** what
27.	**A.** solve	**B.** link	**C.** involve	**D.** implement
28.	**A.** to build	**B.** built	**C.** builds	**D.** building

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. Due to the _____ traffic, it took me nearly 90 minutes to travel just a few kilometres. (congestion)

30. Trang is struggling to give _____ to these foreign visitors because she's not good at English. (direct)

31. The authorities are trying to find a possible _____ to the housing problems. (solve)

32. A lack of jobs in rural areas can _____ lead to an increase in migration to urban districts. (potential)

33. The police were arresting some violent _____ when they surrendered suddenly. (crime)

34. The city council finally _____ the economic stimulus measures after months of planning. (implementation)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. This situation has the potential to cause serious accidents, especially during the rainy season with slippery roads.

b. The roads must be repaired soon to ensure the safety of everyone in the village.

c. However, since then, the road has received little maintenance and continued to break down.

d. In this small village, the roads are in a terrible state.

e. Everyone was cheering and celebrating when the road was built eight years ago.

A. b, a, c, e, d **B.** c, a, b, e, d **C.** a, c, d, b, e **D.** d, e, c, a, b

36.

EMAIL

To: Mayor Sanchez
Subject: Traffic problem

Dear Mayor Sanchez,

a. Yesterday, our city experienced congestion that caused significant delays.
b. I urge you to consider this proposal to address the ongoing traffic problems in our city.
c. Many residents were being stuck in their vehicles for extended periods.
d. I recommend implementing measures, such as a ban on certain types of vehicles during peak hours, to clear up traffic.
e. I am writing to express my concern about the increasing number of traffic jams in our city.

Looking forward to your response.

Matt Smith

A. e, a, c, d, b **B.** a, d, e, c, b **C.** d, c, b, a, e **D.** e, d, b, c, a

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. It is such a narrow alley that no vehicles are able to access it.

➲ The alley is so _____

38. The diamond ring is too expensive for the young man to buy.

➲ It is such _____

39. This bridge isn't safe enough for heavy trucks to cross.

➲ This bridge is so _____

40. During their construction of the new road, their work was hindered by a heavy storm.

➲ While they _____

PRACTICE TEST 17

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. machine **B.** imply **C.** particular **D.** journalist

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. progress **B.** digital **C.** technology **D.** engineer

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. tutor **B.** skincare **C.** demand **D.** planet

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. astronaut **B.** specialist **C.** media **D.** producer

5. My sister _____ a job abroad if she _____ her English skills.
A. might find… improves **B.** found… improved **C.** might find... will improve **D.** found... would improve

6. They expect _____ a new qualified chemist for their laboratory by the end of the year.
A. hire **B.** hiring **C.** to hire **D.** hired

7. Kevin _____ very hard in the film industry if he _____ to become a successful film producer.
A. trained… could want **B.** can train… wanted **C.** trains... should want **D.** must train... wants

8. Trung scheduled an appointment with his _____ to discuss his mental problems.
A. researcher **B.** plumber **C.** skincare specialist **D.** psychologist

9. The singer received a standing ovation from the exciting _____ at the concert.
A. spectator **B.** audience **C.** pedestrian **D.** viewer

10. After the _____, Jack's mother strictly followed the doctor's instructions for recovery.
A. experiment **B.** popularity **C.** surgery **D.** reality

11. The innovations of advanced technology have increased significantly so far, which makes students have to _____ the changes.
A. come up with **B.** stay away from **C.** keep up with **D.** get out of

12. There's a noticeable increase in the demand _____ sports cars among young people in this city.
A. with **B.** for **C.** on **D.** of

13. **Mrs Brown:** Do you think technology will take over all our jobs in the future?
Kevin: _____
A. That's a great idea.
B. I wouldn't want robots to replace workers in the factory.
C. There are plenty of career choices.
D. It might replace some jobs, but it can create new ones.

14. **Ken:** You should enroll in a vocational program if you want to be a mechanic.
Cindy: _____
A. Thanks for helping me. My bike is good now.
B. My father is a mechanic. He can give you some useful advice.
C. Yes, I know that. I'm thinking of what college I should attend.
D. I'm sorry. I have to get really good grades.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?

A. In case of fire, please use the elevator instead of the stairs.
B. For safety reasons, you mustn't use the stairs in case of fire.
C. Elevators are not allowed in the office building during a fire.
D. In the event of a fire, the use of elevators is allowed.

16. What do you understand about the sign?

A. If you need qualified plumbers, you can contact this school to hire them.
B. This vocational school offers academic classes for future physicists or doctors.
C. This school is not for those who are good at fixing things.
D. If you want to become an electrician, you can enrol in this school.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

FEAR: AN ESSENTIAL EMOTION

Fear is a fundamental human emotion, vital for our survival. It acts as a protective mechanism, alerting us to potential dangers and helping us steer clear of risky situations. Whether it's a phobia of heights, spiders, or public speaking, this emotion has deep evolutionary roots that shape our behaviour and well-being.

When we encounter a threat, our body naturally responds with the "fight-or-flight" reaction. This response, triggered by the brain, prepares us to either confront the danger head-on or flee from it. Physiological changes like an increased heart rate and heightened alertness equip us to handle these situations. This survival mechanism was crucial for our ancestors, who relied on fear to avoid life-threatening scenarios.

However, fear doesn't affect everyone in the same way. Some individuals seek out fear-inducing experiences, finding excitement in extreme sports or horror movies. For them, fear is exhilarating. Others, however, experience fear as a negative emotion, striving to keep away from it at all costs.

Scientists say that fear isn't merely a nuisance it plays a crucial role in keeping us cautious and preventing reckless behaviour. While it's essential to listen to fear, it's equally important to recognise when it might be holding us back unnecessarily. Fear, in its essence, is not our enemy but our ally in navigating life's challenges.

17. Fear can activate survival mode that prepares us to either confront or escape from potential threats.

18. That the heart beats faster is the response of the body when coping with fear.

19. Fear can be seen as a protective mechanism for only people in today's society.

20. Some individuals chase fear-inducing thrills via extreme sports or horror movies.

21. Fear takes an integral part of our life because _____.
- **A.** it might be holding us back unnecessarily
- **B.** we try to keep away from it at all costs
- **C.** our ancestors relied on it to hunt dangerous animals and find accommodation
- **D.** it encourages caution and prevents impulsive behaviour

22. What didn't the writer mention about fear in the passage?
A. its threats **B.** its mechanism **C.** its benefits **D.** its reaction

IV. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following advertisement. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

SMART SAVE YOUR JOB!

In today's rapidly evolving job market, staying employed amidst the rise of artificial intelligence (AI) demands strategic thinking. Here are some smart approaches to secure your career:

1. **Continuous Learning:** Keep upgrading your skills. Regularly (23) _____ industry trends and enrol in online courses to stay informed. Adaptability is your best asset.
2. (24) _____ **Expertise:** Focus on what makes you special. AI can't match the personal touch—highlight your unique abilities and contributions.
3. **Build Strong Relationships:** Good professional connections are important, (25) _____ work well with colleagues and build trust with clients. Human connections last (26) _____ automation.
4. **Stay Positive and Adaptable:** AI can threaten your job, but it can also create opportunities. Maintain an open mind, embrace (27) _____ and evolve alongside technology.

Remember, AI supports human abilities it doesn't replace them. By staying adaptable and using your unique strengths, you (28) _____ in the age of AI.

23.	**A.** advise	**B.** research	**C.** imply	**D.** provide
24.	**A.** Congested	**B.** Personalised	**C.** Demanded	**D.** Produced
25.	**A.** because	**B.** but	**C.** so	**D.** although
26.	**A.** behind	**B.** under	**C.** on	**D.** beyond
27.	**A.** innovation	**B.** profession	**C.** reality	**D.** media
28.	**A.** have thrived	**B.** thrived	**C.** were thriving	**D.** will thrive

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. The growth of e-commerce has made it easier for customers to order _____ products directly from online platforms. (personal)

30. Becoming construction workers must be physically _____ because they need to lift and carry heavy materials like beams, bricks, and equipment. (demand)

31. That renowned music _____ has worked with many famous singers, helping to create chart-topping hits. (product)

32. Many large corporations often employ _____ qualified staff to help them maintain high standards of quality in their services. (profession)

33. The astronomers use an advanced telescope to watch _____ movements and gather detailed data. (planet)

34. Sue plan to have her children _____ against some common diseases to ensure their health safety. (vaccine)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. Additionally, their ability to create horseshoes allowed horses to travel long distances or carry heavy loads, which was crucial for transport and agriculture.

b. With few innovations in metalworking at the time, blacksmiths were very important.

c. Blacksmith, a person who creates and repairs objects made of iron and steel, was a popular profession in the past.

d. Blacksmiths also made locks and keys, which were needed for safety.

e. Their workshops were often a busy place in town where farmers, carpenters and other workers came to get their tools.

A. d, e, c, a, b **B.** d, e, b, a, c **C.** c, e, d, a, b **D.** a, b, e, d, c

36.

EMAIL

To: Mike
Subject: Re: My Grandpa

Hi Mike,

a. I appreciate hearing about your grandfather's experiences!
b. It was a tough manual labour job, but it was very popular back then.
c. Unlike yours, my grandfather was a coal miner, working deep underground.
d. Coal miners played a key role in powering industries and homes as they worked tirelessly to extract coal.
e. Despite the dangers, my grandpa took pride in his work, knowing he was contributing to society.

Take care and looking forward to hearing from you soon!

Kate

A. a, c, b, d, e **B.** a, d, c, b, e **C.** d, a, c, e, b **D.** b, e, c, a, d

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. Study hard or you won't secure a stable job after graduation.

➲ If you _____

38. Unless he listens to the podcast regularly, he might miss important updates on the topic.

➲ If he _____

39. My father didn't let me study fashion design because he worried about its rare career opportunities.

➲ My father didn't allow _____

40. They made a decision to go ahead with the full implementation of the new technology.

➲ They decided _____

PRACTICE TEST 18

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. innovation **B.** producer **C.** personalize **D.** podcast

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. virtual **B.** tutor **C.** veterinarian **D.** content

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. vaccine **B.** podcast **C.** highlight **D.** plumber

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. surgery **B.** manual **C.** mechanic **D.** popular

5. She aims _____ the highest score in the first interview for the manager's job.
A. achieve **B.** to achieve **C.** achieving **D.** achieved

6. You _____ a better understanding of depression if you _____ my podcast tonight.
A. can get… watch **B.** got… will watch **C.** can get… watched **D.** got… can watch

7. You _____ a basic knowledge of music if you _____ to be a musician in the future.
A. had… will want **B.** should have… wanted **C.** had… wanted **D.** should have… want

8. The gaming industry has successfully applied _____ reality to create more interactive experiences for players.
A. innovative **B.** demanding **C.** virtual **D.** media

9. It is common that robotic applications play an important role in the _____ of manufacturing.
A. content **B.** data **C.** crop **D.** field

10. Tony, who was a skilled _____, learnt how to fix cars when he studied at a vocational college.
A. mechanic **B.** radio producer **C.** event planner **D.** fashion designer

11. Students should _____ what skills they need for their future jobs because it is important for them to improve these skills earlier.
A. give up **B.** think about **C.** turn on **D.** go over

12. Martin enjoys studying conservation biology, _____ particular protection of marine animals.
A. from **B.** to **C.** in **D.** of

13. **Phillip:** What jobs can many young students expect to do in the future?
Long: _____
A. They will appreciate their doctors for their dedication.
B. Going to the car shows will help them decide to become mechanics.
C. Great! I want to find a good apprenticeship.
D. I think those involving live-streaming on social networking sites.

14. **Ms Jennifer:** Hi, Cindy. How can I help you today?
Cindy: _____
A. Hello, Ms Jennifer. It's easier to become a skincare specialist.
B. I'm good enough to become a skincare specialist.
C. Hi, Ms Jennifer. I need some advice on how to be a skincare specialist.
D. OK. That sounds interesting to know about a skincare specialist.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?
A. Working in the lab is advisable to wear shorts or short skirts.
B. People must avoid wearing short-legged clothing in the lab.
C. For safety reasons, wearing shorts or short skirts in the lab is required.
D. Wearing long-legged clothing is prohibited.

16. What do you understand about the sign?
A. You shouldn't wear your helmet in this construction area for safety reasons.
B. You cannot enter this construction site without safety equipment.
C. Construction workers don't feel comfortable wearing helmets in this area.
D. If you go there, you can avoid head injuries.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

EXTREME SPORTS

Extreme sports those heart-pounding activities like skydiving, bungee jumping and rock climbing captivate many adventurous souls. But what drives people to seek out these thrilling, sometimes fatal experiences?

1. **The Thrill Factor:** Some believe it's all about the adrenaline Rush: When you engage in extreme sports, your body releases adrenaline and dopamine. Extreme sports enthusiasts said that these hormones heighten their focus and clarity, making them feel more thrilled and alive. Conquering extreme challenges also provides a sense of pride and accomplishment. Whether it's leaping from an airplane or scuba diving, these feats boost self-confidence.

2. **Nature Enthusiasts:** Many extreme sports enthusiasts are also nature lovers. Activities like paragliding allow them to connect with nature in its raw form. Nature serves as a powerful motivator, drawing people away from their monotonous daily lives into a world of excitement and joy.

3. **Mental Resilience:** Extreme sports aren't just about thrills; they build mental resilience. The mental challenges posed by extreme sports force participants to confront their fears head-on. Over time, they learn to stay composed under pressure, to assess risks quickly and accurately, and to make decisions with a clear mind, even in the most stressful situations.

Extreme sports offer more than just a thrilling experience. They provide a unique way to break free from the ordinary, challenge personal limits and experience the world differently. Whatever their motivation, extreme sports participants find deep fulfilment in these intense activities.

17. There are some chemicals created in the body when you engage in extreme sports.

18. Overcoming extreme challenges brings a strong sense of pride and achievement.

19. Many nature lovers bored of tedious life connect with it through adventure sports.

20. Extreme sports can make participants get mental problems because of their huge pressure.

21. Extreme sports can build mental resilience since _____.
- **A.** they help participants assess risks gradually
- **B.** they make participants feel more thrilled and alive
- **C.** they push participants to explore dangerous places
- **D.** they challenge participants to address their fears directly

22. What extreme sport didn't the writer mention in the passage?
- **A.** wingsuit flying
- **B.** scuba diving
- **C.** bungee jumping
- **D.** paragliding

IV. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following advertisement. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

SMART STUDY WITH AI

Are you ready to embrace the future? At our cutting-edge education centre, we're passionate about preparing you for the exciting world of AI.

Our AI-driven programmes adapt (23) _____ your unique learning style and pace, ensuring no student is left behind. (24) _____ your strengths is our priority, so every student's study plan is personalised and unique.

At our centre, (25) _____ tasks such as paperwork and administrative duties are all handled by AI, allowing our teachers to focus on what truly matters: inspiring minds and nurturing growth. With the (26) _____ for AI jobs booming, we offer comprehensive training for various roles, from educational data scientists to AI project managers.

Our programmes are designed to equip you with skills (27) _____ employers are looking for. By joining us, you'll be at the forefront of technological innovation and career opportunities. Don't miss out on this chance to prepare (28) _____ a bright future in AI. Join us today!

23.	**A.**	to	**B.**	with	**C.**	from	**D.** on
24.	**A.**	Creating	**B.**	Highlighting	**C.**	Decreasing	**D.** Entertaining
25.	**A.**	surgical	**B.**	popular	**C.**	manual	**D.** digital
26.	**A.**	performance	**B.**	treatment	**C.**	demand	**D.** content
27.	**A.**	whose	**B.**	where	**C.**	which	**D.** who
28.	**A.**	in	**B.**	with	**C.**	on	**D.** for

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. The _____ at the concert was diverse. They were fans of all ages enjoying the wonderful songs together. (audio)

30. Healthcare institutions in _____ advanced countries use the latest medical equipment to treat diseases. (technology)

31. The researchers collected the _____ data to evaluate the effectiveness of the new vaccine. (experiment)

32. The content creator has to meet her client's _____ about producing high-quality videos on a tight deadline. (expect)

33. The topic of the podcast today is about the latest _____ discoveries and their potential impact on our daily life. (science)

34. Julia spent a week _____ many stunning visuals for a social media company to improve its online presence. (design)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. Psychologists help by supporting individuals, addressing their problems and improving their mental health.

b. As a result, psychologists will be crucial for a healthier society.

c. As people are dealing with increasing stress and mental health challenges, seeking expert assistance becomes crucial.

d. Furthermore, heightened awareness of mental health issues in society will drive more people to seek professional help.

e. In the future, the demand for psychologists is expected to grow.

A. e, b, a, d, c **B.** d, c, a, e, b **C.** c, b, a, d, e **D.** e, c, a, d, b

36.

EMAIL

To: Henry
Subject: Re: Future career

Hi Henry,

a. Considering these trends can help you make an informed decision about your future career.
b. However, I also recommend exploring different professions to see which one interests you the most.
c. If you choose a career in these areas, you will have many job opportunities.
d. Looking ahead, there will be significant demand for professionals in fields such as technology and healthcare.
e. Thank you for your email regarding career guidance.

Best regards,

Professor Thomas

A. a, e, c, d, b **B.** d, b, a, c, e **C.** e, d, c, a, b **D.** e, d, a, b, c

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. You need to understand statistical methods to become a data scientist.

➲ If you _____

38. Being good at computer skills might help you have more job opportunities.

➲ If you _____

39. John attended multiple economic seminars with the aim of finding a job in the marketing field.

➲ John aimed _____

40. They have no intention of hiring him to make this film.

➲ They don't _____

PRACTICE TEST 19

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. b<u>o</u>ne **B.** cr<u>o</u>p **C.** h<u>o</u>meless **D.** pr<u>o</u>gramme

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. <u>p</u>sychologist **B.** im<u>p</u>lement **C.** <u>p</u>otential **D.** <u>p</u>edestrian

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. harmful **B.** outcrop **C.** involve **D.** concert

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. designer **B.** creative **C.** officer **D.** congestion

5. My parents are considering _____ to Hồ Chí Minh City for better job opportunities.
A. to move **B.** moving **C.** to moving **D.** move

6. It was _____ weather that my children didn't want to get out of their beds this morning.
A. so cold **B.** so a cold **C.** such a cold **D.** such cold

7. She _____ her hands yet. She should do it now to avoid diseases caused by bacteria and viruses.
A. isn't washing **B.** hasn't washed **C.** doesn't wash **D.** won't wash

8. The _____ beauty of Hạ Long Bay made our cruise tour unforgettable. The limestone caves are spectacular and the islands are impressive.
A. rough **B.** scenic **C.** unattractive **D.** dull

9. After seeing her son struggle with physics, the mother decided to hire a private _____ to help him.
A. tutor **B.** mechanic **C.** plumber **D.** engineer

10. The health expert advised me to have regular check-ups to _____ healthy habits and prevent illnesses.
A. promote **B.** remind **C.** disturb **D.** imply

11. I want to _____ Buckingham Palace when I visit London next year.
A. look up **B.** put through **C.** see over **D.** note down

12. Mr Johnson is in charge _____ recruiting volunteers to help to organise the summer festival.
A. of **B.** with **C.** from **D.** on

13. **Jackie:** You seem to like eating chocolate, don't you?
Mateo: _____
A. Yes. I like it though I know it's bad for me.
B. No, I won't give you my chocolate cake.
C. I prefer to eat sweets.
D. I will make a chocolate cake on my brother's birthday.

14. **Mia:** It's terrible that some people play loud music in the park every day.
Steve: _____
A. It's not good to throw litter around the park.
B. I agree. The park is a suitable place to hold music events.
C. If they keep doing that, no one will want to go there anymore.
D. I'm glad that I can enjoy live concerts in the park every day.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?

A. It is convenient to allow pets to poop in this area.
B. Pets must not be kept in this park.
C. We should make sure that pets cannot play in this park.
D. Letting pets poop in this place is against the rule.

16. What do you understand about the sign?

A. This course costs two trainees about 500 dollars.
B. This course takes over a month to complete.
C. This course is professional hairdressers.
D. This course runs on weekdays.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

BOOK OF THE WEEK: "THE MARTIAN" BY ANDY WEIR

If you're into survival stories that are rooted in real science, Andy Weir's "The Martian" is an essential read. This novel chronicles the story of astronaut Mark Watney, who, after being abandoned on Mars by his crew, must rely on his wits and scientific knowledge to stay alive. The book is a remarkable exploration of human resourcefulness under extreme conditions.

Weir's focus on scientific accuracy is a distinctive feature that sets "The Martian" apart from other sci-fi books. His background in computer programming and enthusiasm for space exploration ensures that every detail from Mars' atmosphere to survival techniques is grounded in accurate science. The book meticulously documents Watney's methods, including his use of chemical reactions to produce water and the cultivation of potatoes in Martian soil, all of which are plausible with current scientific understanding.

The novel also presents an alternative take on space survival by focusing on feasible technologies and realistic engineering problems. Watney's first-person log entries provide both a personal touch and thorough documentation of his strategies and challenges, making complex scientific concepts accessible and engaging.

Combining humour, suspense and rigorous scientific detail, "The Martian" not only captivates but also educates. It's a must-read for anyone interested in space exploration and the science behind survival in one of the most hostile environments imaginable.

17. Mark Watney is the author of the book the writer wants to introduce to readers this week.

18. What distinguishes "The Martian" from other sci-fi books is the author's focus on scientific accuracy.

19. Watney meticulously uses water to form chemical reactions and cultivate potatoes.

20. This novel lacks any humorous and adventurous elements.

21. Watney's entries make the story more relatable and _____.
- **A.** give readers a complicated look at his experiments
- **B.** carefully record the methods he uses
- **C.** give some useful advice on how to survive on a strange planet
- **D.** attract readers to participate in many space explorations

22. What didn't the writer mention about the novel in the passage?
- **A.** the narrative structure
- **B.** the targeted readers
- **C.** the setting
- **D.** the concept

IV. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following advertisement. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

EXCITING EXPLORATION

We (23) _____ a visionary On-Earth astronaut to explore space from the comfort of our high-tech building. As an astronaut, you'll use the latest technology to help us understand the universe. Utilise Virtual Reality goggles to digitally explore space, control robotic arms and develop stations for future (24) _____ to the Moon and Mars. Responsibilities also include (25) _____ robotic explorers from Earth and using touch interfaces to manage tasks like collecting lunar samples or repairing space stations.

By joining us, you'll work in our state-of-the-art smart building, (26) _____ features advanced technology, energy-efficient systems, smart lighting and climate control, ensuring a productive and comfortable workspace. With seamless connectivity, eco-friendly design and cutting-edge facilities, our building provides a (27) _____ environment tailored to your needs.

If you have a passion (28) _____ space, VR skills and a drive to push exploration limits, apply now and join our team!

23.	**A.** are seeking	**B.** sought	**C.** had sought	**D.** were seeking
24.	**A.** innovations	**B.** missions	**C.** formations	**D.** suggestions
25.	**A.** directing	**B.** implementing	**C.** considering	**D.** developing
26.	**A.** where	**B.** whom	**C.** who	**D.** which
27.	**A.** problematic	**B.** overcrowded	**C.** professional	**D.** residential
28.	**A.** in	**B.** to	**C.** with	**D.** for

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. Students shouldn't buy or eat food of unknown origin sold at a street vendor. It's too _____ for their health. (risk)

30. A lot of _____ stopped to take photos of the breathtaking mountain scenery when they visited Hương Pagoda. (sightseeing)

31. Carbon monoxide is one of several _____ that can cause respiratory issues and other health problems. (pollute)

32. The volunteer doctors provided _____ assistance to impoverished workers residing in slum areas. (medicine)

33. There are _____ unlimited materials for students to access and learn at their own pace on this website. (virtual)

34. Young individuals should focus on _____ healthy habits such as such as regular workouts and nutritious meals. (promotion)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. Human activities, such as coastal development and agricultural pollutants, disturb the reef's health.

b. If the government and scientists fail to find a solution, the reef will be completely gone by 2050.

c. The coral, which is sensitive to sea temperatures, can get damaged if the water becomes too warm.

d. The Great Barrier Reef, a stunning natural wonder off Australia's northeastern coast, faces significant threats.

e. Additionally, climate change still remains its biggest threat.

A. e, b, a, c, d **B.** d, a, b, e, c **C.** a, b, d, c, e **D.** d, a, e, c, b

36.

EMAIL

To: Grandma
Subject: Re: How are you?

Hi Grandma,

a. I'm excited about helping others look and feel their best in the future.
b. I'm currently pursuing a career as a skincare specialist.
c. Thank you for your interest in my studies!
d. As we age, maintaining healthy skin becomes crucial, and skincare specialists play an essential role in achieving that.
e. This profession is increasingly in demand because people are becoming more aware of their skin issues.

Love,

Jessica

A. a, e, c, d, b **B.** c, b, e, d, a **C.** b, e, c, a, d **D.** a, c, b, e, d

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. Zara isn't strong enough to handle all the office tasks.

➲ Zara is so _____

38. Kyle is a more careful explorer than the others in the group.

➲ No other _____

39. Between March and August is the best time to visit Cam Ranh Bay since the weather is sunny and the sea is warm then.

➲ Between March and August, when _____

40. I think you should join a new team to have better support for your project.

➲ If I _____

PRACTICE TEST 20

Time allotted: 90 minutes

I. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?

A. r<u>a</u>nger **B.** attr<u>a</u>ct **C.** <u>a</u>ccess **D.** n<u>a</u>tural

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?

A. resear<u>ch</u> **B.** <u>ch</u>arge **C.** <u>ch</u>annel **D.** <u>ch</u>emist

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?

A. expect **B.** attend **C.** council **D.** demand

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?

A. already **B.** article **C.** manual **D.** government

5. Many people consider Mount Fuji to be one of _____ mountains in the world. It was recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2013.

A. as beautiful as **B.** the most beautiful **C.** more beautiful than **D.** much more beautiful

6. While I _____ my dog in the park, it suddenly _____.

A. walked... snowed **B.** was walking... snowed **C.** walked... was snowing **D.** was walking... was snowing

7. There is a lack of parks in our city. If the city _____ more green spaces, we _____ a healthier atmosphere.

A. would have... enjoy **B.** could have... enjoyed **C.** had... would enjoy **D.** have... should enjoy

8. To conserve the beauty spots, tourists shouldn't _____. They should hold on to their rubbish until they find designated bins.

A. litter **B.** hunt **C.** recycle **D.** spoil

9. It's dangerous for _____ to cross the streets without using crosswalks or being vigilant for drivers.

A. cyclists **B.** construction workers **C.** pedestrians **D.** motorcyclists

10. The latest report shows the unemployment rate in this city has _____ considerably, suggesting that more people have found jobs.

A. dropped **B.** increased **C.** developed **D.** fluctuated

11. They _____ the problems caused by traffic jams and realised that banning cars would be a possible solution to them.

A. saw over **B.** went up **C.** kept away **D.** looked into

12. On the weekends, my uncle and I often climb _____ the hill to collect mushrooms and watch sunset.

A. with **B.** up **C.** from **D.** on

13. **Jessica:** The street is full of trash. We need to organise a clean-up as soon as possible.

Rowan: _____

A. Why not? The first problem is the lack of trash bins.
B. Oh, yeah. We cleaned up the street last weekend.
C. Yeah, that would work.
D. There were so many pedestrians that we couldn't clean it up.

14. **Mr Evan:** Which job are you interested in?

Judy: _____

A. I think a chemist or a biologist.
B. No problem. I'm fond of fixing broken machines.
C. I'm trying to research different tools.
D. I know some already. I'm good at doing calculations.

II. Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

15. What does this sign mean?

A. Pedestrians are prohibited from using the motorway.
B. Pedestrians must not go straight ahead on the motorway.
C. There is no way that cyclists cannot use the motorway.
D. Walking or cycling on the motorway is allowed.

16. What do you understand about the sign?

A. You need to take bus 23 to get to the water park.
B. You need to take bus 23 to get to Bến Thành Market.
C. You need to take bus 11 to get to the water park.
D. You need to take bus 34 to get to the city zoo.

III. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 17 to 20 are True or False, and choose the correct answers for questions 21 and 22. Write True, False, A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

A recent protest took place outside the historic Rosehill Building downtown, where a group of concerned citizens voiced their opposition to a proposed city development project. The city's plan involves constructing new leisure facilities, which would require demolishing a significant portion of the building's 19th-century façade. The Rosehill Building, known for its magnificent Victorian architecture, has been a prominent fixture in the community for over 150 years, and many residents are determined to protect it.

The protesters, a diverse group of locals, say that the Rosehill Building is not only a beautiful example of Victorian design but also a critical part of the city's heritage. One member of the group argued that the historical value of the structure far outweighed the benefits of the proposed development. The potential loss of such an iconic landmark has unified the community, leading to widespread opposition to the city's plans.

For the past few weeks, the protesters have organised a series of rallies, gathered thousands of signatures on petitions, and engaged with city officials to voice their concerns. Their primary objective is to find a solution that accommodates the need for new leisure facilities while preserving the Rosehill Building's historic character. As discussions continue, the community remains hopeful that a compromise can be reached, one that balances the city's development goals with the preservation of its architectural and historical heritage.

17. A group of concerned citizens recently protested downtown against a plan to build new leisure facilities.

18. The Rosehill Building has been a notable landmark for more than one and a half centuries.

19. According to a local resident, the benefits of the project are much better than the historical value of the building.

20. The protesters have avoided engaging with city officials to deal with the issue.

21. The main goal of the protest is to develop new leisure facilities without _____.

A. preserving the historic character of the Rosehill Building
B. maintaining the Rosehill Building's historical value
C. damaging the historic significance of the Rosehill Building
D. spoiling the city's green landscape and the Rosehill Building

22. What didn't the writer mention about the protest in the passage?

A. the petitions **B.** the rallies
C. the objectives **D.** the agreements

VI. Choose the word or phrase that best fits the space in the following interview. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet.

Interviewer: Hi, there! We heard about your frightening (23) _____. Can you tell us what happened?
Explorer: Yes, it was a scary experience. I went cave-exploring, and I got stuck for four hours.
Interviewer: Can you start from the beginning? How did you get stuck?
Explorer: I (24) _____ further into the cave when I slipped and fell into a deep pool of water. I managed to (25) _____ and swim to safety. However, there was no way to go back up.
Interviewer: That sounds terrifying. What did you do (26) _____ you were stuck?
Explorer: I tried to stay calm and waited for help.
Interviewer: How did the rescue team find you?
Explorer: They used special equipment to locate me and then used ropes to get me (27) _____. I was thankful that the rescue effort was really quick.
Interviewer: Were you hurt?
Explorer: No, just a bit tired and cold. The (28) _____ team examined me right away, and luckily, I was fine.
Interviewer: I'm glad to hear you're okay. Thank you for sharing your story.

23.	**A.**	opportunity	**B.**	pollution	**C.**	accident	**D.** environment
24.	**A.**	would go	**B.**	went	**C.**	have been going	**D.** was going
25.	**A.**	float	**B.**	hover	**C.**	fly	**D.** research
26.	**A.**	before	**B.**	while	**C.**	during	**D.** since
27.	**A.**	out	**B.**	with	**C.**	by	**D.** across
28.	**A.**	mechanical	**B.**	medical	**C.**	engineering	**D.** computing

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

29. Jack is searching for _____ tips on how to balance his meals and ensure he will get all the essential nutrients. (diet)

30. Many women are unaware of the _____ of detox improperly, which can lead to dehydration and digestive problems. (harm)

31. Improving street conditions can play a vital role in the _____ of traffic accidents. (reduce)

32. _____ speaking, I don't see any prospects for alleviating unemployment. (reality)

33. My father is a good _____ with years of experience, so many patients seek him out for heart operations. (surgery)

34. Some local boys don't mind _____ shells for hours along the sandy beach. (collection)

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph or email in each of the following questions.

35. a. To address this issue effectively, the government are focusing ōn expanding shelters and offering many job training programs.

b. Many people struggle to find a place to live, and the number of homeless people continues to rise.

c. By combining housing support with skill development, officials aim to help people get back on their feet and reduce homelessness in the long term.

d. The homeless problem in the city is getting worse.

e. The situation has got so bad that you can see people sleeping on the streets everywhere.

A. d, c, e, b, a **B.** e, b, c, a, d **C.** d, b, e, a, c **D.** d, c, e, a, b

36. **EMAIL**

To: Principal Well
Subject: Cafeteria menu proposal

Dear Principal Well,

a. If the menu offers more nutrient-rich and nourishing options, we can improve the overall health of students, helping them to stay focused and energised throughout the school day.
b. Additionally, reducing the availability of junk food and replacing it with these healthier options will promote a healthier lifestyle outside of school.
c. I am reaching out to propose a change to our school cafeteria menu.
d. Your consideration of this important change is greatly appreciated.
e. Eating more fruits, vegetables and healthier foods will also encourage better eating habits.

Looking forward to your response.

Max

A. c, d, b, e, a **B.** a, b, e, c, d **C.** b, a, c, e, d **D.** c, a, e, b, d

VII. Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it.

37. The stadium was so crowded that we could barely move to find our seats.

➲ It was such _____

38. You really ought to reduce your screen time to maintain good health.

➲ If you _____

39. Although the road was bumpy, our driver managed to take us to the village safely.

➲ Despite _____

40. The last time I met a psychologist was five years ago.

➲ I have _____